

TAFT'S NEW POLICY WILL NOT CHANGE ROOSEVELT PLANS

Griscom Rushes With President's Request, But Will Be Disappointed.

COLONEL TO RULE STATE CONVENTION

Speeches Unchanged, as He Can See No Difference Between Aldrich and Cannon.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Aug. 15.—From his conference with President Taft at Beverly, Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the New York county Republican committee, arrived here today.

So anxious was he to get into touch with Colonel Roosevelt that he did not make the trip by train, but ran down over the muddy roads in his high-powered automobile.

When asked whether he carried a message from the President to the colonel, he replied that he had to say would have to wait until his conference ended.

One of the reasons for his visit was to discuss with Roosevelt the proposition that the latter be chairman of the Republican State convention at Saratoga.

The call for the convention is to be held out tomorrow and Griscom is understood to have been told by Roosevelt that he will be delighted to be the temporary chairman and in that capacity to sound the "keynote" in his speech.

Roosevelt's Attitude.

Friends of Roosevelt believed that Griscom was the bearer of the request that Roosevelt, before starting West, indorse the new attitude of the administration toward Cannon, Aldrich, and Baileys, which they expressed the opinion that he would be disappointed. Roosevelt will make his speeches exactly as planned, they said, and he will emphatically indorse the new attitude and the men who will support them. He will permit the Taft supporters to take whatever comfort they desire out of these speeches, it is declared.

Roosevelt, his friends here say, cannot see any material difference between Senators Aldrich and Cannon, so far as their prospective support of the progressive movement is concerned.

The New York Republican platform and prospective candidates for governor were talked over at Saratoga. It is understood that Griscom suggested the direct primary plank should be emphasized and follow closely the recommendations of Governor Hughes.

On that point Colonel Roosevelt is expected to hold a strong position. He is expected to hold a strong position. He is expected to hold a strong position.

Third Trip Planned.

Announcement made that Colonel Roosevelt intends to make a third trip to the West, probably early in March. No itinerary has been started, but at present it is planned to sweep through the South to the Pacific coast and return East by the Northern route.

This third trip was made necessary by Colonel Roosevelt's acceptance of an invitation from President Taft to go to California on Charter Day. The invitation was extended while he was in Africa, and as President Taft is a staunch admirer of the former President and for a year held the Roosevelt professorship in Berlin, it was accepted.

On the third Western trip, Colonel Roosevelt will speak at Atlantic City, at the Southern Commercial Congress in March. However, no other engagements have been announced, but it is surmised that he will not forego the opportunity of calling on his old friend, Gen. C. C. Brown, Republican national committeeman, at New Orleans.

Will also probably be visited.

No Hint of Attitude.

Much speculation exists over the attitude that Colonel Roosevelt will assume on his Western trip this month. Thus far no hint has been given out, but it is confidently expected that he will not depart materially from the vigorous stand he took on the conservation issue while he was in Africa.

Regarding the reported retirement of Secretary Baileys, it is understood that the same platform at one Western meeting. The reported retirement of Secretary Baileys, it is understood that the same platform at one Western meeting.

WEATHER REPORT.

Temperatures have not changed materially in any district and are generally near or below the normal throughout the country.

The indications are that there will be showers within the next thirty-six hours in the Atlantic States from southern New England to North Carolina and in southern Florida.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.

Unsettled weather, with showers to-night or Tuesday; moderate temperature; light to moderate variable winds.

TEMPERATURES.

8 a. m. 75
9 a. m. 75
10 a. m. 75
11 a. m. 75
12 noon 75
1 p. m. 75
2 p. m. 75

TIDE TABLE.

Today—High tide, 3:13 a. m. and 3:16 p. m. Low tide, 10:12 a. m. and 10:10 p. m.

Tomorrow—High tide, 4:07 a. m. and 4:22 p. m. Low tide, 11:35 a. m. and 11:34 p. m.

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises 5:12
Sun sets 8:56

CONDITION OF THE RIVERS.

HARPERS FERRY, Va., Aug. 15.—Both rivers clear this morning.

Flooding—Alabama—\$2.25 for 100 ft. Frank Libbey & Co., 6th & N. Y. Ave. —Adv.

NIGHTINGALE DEATH KILLS AGED ORDERLY

Soldier Who Served Crimean Nurse Mortally Shocked by News.

TROOPS REQUEST PUBLIC FUNERAL

Wish to Show Love for Benefactor—Body May Go to Abbey.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—A dramatic sequel to the death of Florence Nightingale occurred today in the death of John Finaglan, an aged soldier, who acted as Miss Nightingale's orderly in her hospital work during the Crimean war.

Miss Nightingale died yesterday at the age of ninety years. When Finaglan was told of it he was overcome, and doctors say that grief killed him.

In all probability the dying request of Florence Nightingale, world-famed for her work as nurse during the Crimean war and her subsequent efforts in behalf of English soldiers, for a simple funeral ceremony, will be ignored.

Such a warm place did she hold in the affections of the people that there is now a widespread demand that her body find a resting place in Westminster Abbey, where England's greatest sons lie buried.

Soldiers Urgent.

The press of England is urging Westminster Abbey as the burial place. The great demand, however, for a public funeral, with full military honors, comes from the English soldiers, in whose behalf Miss Nightingale devoted her life since early womanhood. They demand that they be given an opportunity to do honor to her memory.

The death of Miss Nightingale has stimulated the movement to abolish the present precarious method of supporting English hospitals by voluntary contributions and of establishing a system of governmental grants. This is one of the things for which Miss Nightingale labored so assiduously for the last half century.

Whole World Mourns.

With the exception of the death of the late Queen Victoria, the death of any other English woman has called forth so many expressions of regret and messages of condolence as that of Miss Nightingale. These messages come from all over the world. King George sent a personal representative to the home of Miss Nightingale to express the sorrow of himself and the Queen.

NIGHT RIDER TRIAL TERRORIZES TOWN

Outbreak Is Feared at Eddyville Despite Presence of Militia.

EDDYVILLE, Ky., Aug. 15.—Although the streets are patrolled by soldiers, citizens of this town were in terror today, as the hearing of eight alleged night riders began for the grand jury. The town is crowded with strangers. Threats of disorder are heard on all sides. Every witness is guarded by soldiers, and a cordon of military constantly surrounds the jail.

Many inhabitants of the surrounding country are fleeing here for safety. The prisoners are accused of the assassination of a man named Cooper, in Lyon county. The civil authorities maintained the killing was the result of a brawl. The military officers insist it was the outcome of a conspiracy.

The first witness today was Sergeant Major Gooch, who told of hearing details of the alleged plot by telephone on a call from Rock Castle to another phone near the home of Milton Oliver, who was previously shot from ambush after telling of a night-rider plot, in which he was implicated.

Gooch also told of Cooper's having been warned not to attend the barbecue at which he was killed. The prosecutors today declared before the grand jury that the entire night rider system will be based on hundreds of persons being involved.

A rush of confessions to obtain immunity is predicted.

Milton Oliver has been given a guard of two troops, who never leave him. "I am ready to tell all, and I think I am doing right, even if it proves fatal to me and my family."

Oliver is putting his life at stake in order, working in the field with a revolver strapped to him and the armed soldiers beside him.

POLITICIANS FLOCK TO SUMMER CAPITAL

BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 15.—From all over the country leaders are flocking to Burgess Point, and for the time being Beverly is actually eclipsing Oyster Bay as the Mecca for politicians.

Old time friend, and Leonardo O'Connor, former governor of one of the islands of the Philippines, when President Taft was governor.

Tomorrow Senator Winthrop Murray Crane is coming to report to the President his observations on the State of the party in the West, and the results of his conference with Secretary of the Interior Ballinger.

Vice President James S. Sherman and Representative Loudenslager of New Jersey, secretary of the Republican Congressional Committee, and Representative McKinley of Illinois, chairman of the same committee, are also expected.

The President is going today with Congressman Nicholas Longworth at Myopia.

CORONER'S DEATH CAUSES RENEWAL OF CRIPPEN INQUEST

One Witness Brings Forth Startling Evidence Affecting Both Prisoners.

DEATH WAS FEARED BY BELLE ELMORE

Friend Declared Actress Had Premortification—Accused Represented by Counsel.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Owing to the recent death of Coroner Thomas, who held the first inquest on the death of the woman supposed to be Mrs. Belle Elmore Crippen, wife of Dr. H. H. Crippen, it was necessary to begin all over today when the inquest was resumed. Deputy Coroner Schroeder was in charge of today's investigation.

Solicitor William represented the prosecution, Solicitor Newton appeared for Dr. Crippen, who is now in jail in Quebec, and Solicitor J. H. Watts for Miss Ethel Clare Leneve, Crippen's typist, who is also under arrest in Quebec.

The testimony of the experts who examined the remains of the body supposed to be that of Mrs. Crippen, and who gave it as their opinion that the body was that of a woman of Mrs. Crippen's size and that the victim had recently undergone an operation, was submitted at today's hearing.

Inquest Adjourned.

At the request of Newton, the inquest was adjourned until September 4, after a sitting of three hours. Newton said that owing to his desire to consult his client before full opening of the case, he hoped the inquest would not go further than absolutely necessary at this time. Dr. Schroeder accepted this suggestion.

Much of the testimony submitted at the first inquest was repeated today. "The inquest will be protracted," said Deputy Coroner Schroeder. "There is a large amount of evidence to be submitted."

John E. Nash, theatrical manager, whose wife was one of the last persons to see Belle Elmore, repeated his evidence given at the previous hearing, in which he told of the growth of suspicious and the inquiry into the supposed death of Belle Elmore in America.

Miss Melinda May, secretary of the London Music Hall Artists' Guild, of which Mrs. Crippen was a member, testified that she last saw Belle Elmore at the guild on January 26.

Premortification of Death.

A point in Miss May's testimony to which significance was attached was made when the witness said that about Christmas, more than a month before her disappearance, Belle Elmore complained of a strangling sensation. "I feel as if I were going to die," she said.

On February 2 Ethel Leneve went to the guild rooms with a passbook, check book, and a letter in Crippen's handwriting, asking Miss May to see the election of another honorary treasurer, as Mrs. Crippen was away for a few months. This testimony caused another sensation.

Policeman Gooch described the digging in the cellar of 39 Hilldrop Crescent, North London, from 4 p. m. to 5 p. m., when the mutilated body was discovered.

Police Surgeon Marshall, who at the first hearing said the body was that of a woman, testified today that the flesh found was "undoubtedly human."

Inspector Dew and Sergeant Mitchell with the prisoners will be in England in about three weeks.

His examination was brief.

DEL VAL IS BLAMED IN NOTE AT MADRID

Semi-Official Statement Believed Step Toward Peace With Vatican.

MADRID, Aug. 15.—Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state, is held responsible for the rupture between the Vatican and Madrid in a semi-official note issued today.

This is believed to be the first step toward considering proposals of peace from Cardinal Rampolla, now in charge in Rome, understood to be on their way to Madrid.

Such a conclusion is also drawn from the statement that Del Val did not consult the congregation of extraordinary ecclesiastical affairs.

DOCTOR AND WOMAN ARE SHOT TO DEATH

HARRISBURG, Pa., Aug. 15.—Dr. James Campbell, a prominent young physician, and Mrs. Morrison were found shot to death in the home of Mrs. Morrison, the dead woman's husband, at New Germantown, Pa., today.

The manner of their deaths is a mystery.

The husband was absent from home when the bodies were found, and refused to talk when he returned.

AUTOISTS READY FOR START IN MUNSEY HISTORIC TOUR

E. L. FERGUSON, REFEREE,
At Door of Official Garage Ready to Examine Cars.



JOHN TRACY AND A. L. McMURTRY.
Former Is Member of Auto Engineers and Latter Is Chairman of Technical Committee, Contest Board, A. A. A.

PRIOR DEATH OF SON STARTS WILL SUIT

Daughter-in-Law of Diller B. Groff Begins a Contest for Children.

Positive evidence of the death of Adam H. Groff, missing son of Diller B. Groff, a prominent Washington real estate dealer who died March 8, last, leaving an estate valued at over \$100,000, is alleged as one of the grounds on which the will of the deceased is attacked in a caveat filed today by Mrs. Rosa V. Groff, widow of the runaway heir, in behalf of her two children, Emory and Edna.

Affidavits in the case show that Adam Groff, who was a builder and contractor, deserted his wife and two children in April, 1906, following a family quarrel, and that the last trace of him was found in Richmond a few months later.

However, since the settlement of his father's estate in May, last, it has been discovered that he is alleged, that he died before his father, although the attorneys in the case refuse to divulge particulars regarding his death.

Under the terms of the will of the elder Groff, the bulk of his estate was left to his two sons, Dr. Chester Groff and Diller B. Groff, both of Washington. Mrs. Rosa Groff, widow of the missing son, and her daughter, Edna, received \$10,000 each, while her son, Emory, received \$2,000.

With this established by the fact that Adam Groff died before his father, attorneys for the widow allege that the validity of the will, which was dated January 30, 1907, is destroyed and that the two grandchild are entitled to a large share of the estate.

That the elder Groff was of unsound mind when he will was executed and that his two sons, Dr. Chester Groff and Diller B. Groff, exercised undue influence over him is another allegation made by Mrs. Rosa Groff, who lives at 114 Florida avenue.

The elder Groff gained considerable notoriety several years ago by his conviction of a charge involving postal frauds and served two years in the penitentiary at Mount Vernon, Va. He was well known as a builder and real estate man.

George C. Gertman and John Rideout represent Mrs. Rosa Groff in her contest of the will.

A meeting of the governing board of the Retail Merchants' Association is to be called by President Joseph Strassburger for one day early this week.

The question of the association's relation to the Chamber of Commerce having been settled at the last meeting of the directors, it is understood that the merchants are now going ahead actively with the work of their organization. The meeting this week will be held to lay working plans.

ROPE HOLDS SUICIDE UNTIL DEATH COMES

Clothesline Strangles Despondent Man, Then Breaks Under His Weight.

Hanging himself with a piece of old clothesline, which barely suspended his weight long enough for the last breath to leave his body, Benjamin Caldwell, a stone mason's helper, out of a job, ended his life today in a room at the second floor of the boarding house at 68 K street northwest.

Frank MacCaskie, who was sleeping on the same floor, was awakened at 6 o'clock by the sound of the body striking the floor as the frail rope gave away. Quickly getting out of bed, he hurried to Caldwell's room. The end of the rope with the noose was around Caldwell's neck, while the other part was fastened through the transom over the door.

The body was still warm. A hurry call was sent to the Emergency Hospital, but when the ambulance arrived the surgeon pronounced life extinct. The rope had held together just long enough for Caldwell to accomplish his purpose.

Caldwell, who was fifty years old, had lived at the K street house for the last few months. He had been out of work for some time, and had grown despondent over his inability to obtain employment.

Caldwell met a friend named Loftus, who lives at 413 Massachusetts avenue northwest, yesterday, and told him he was so discouraged that he believed he would end it all. Loftus, not thinking the man intended to commit suicide, told him to cheer up, and everything would probably come out all right in a few days.

Coroner Nevitt gave the necessary death certificate, and the body was taken in charge by an undertaker.

PITTSBURG SHOWS DECIDED INCREASE

The Census Bureau today announced that the present population of Pittsburgh is 253,965, which is an increase, since 1900, of 23,233.

The population of Syracuse, N. Y., was announced as 137,249, showing an increase since 1900 of 28,575 or 26.6 per cent.

The increase shown for Pittsburgh is reached by the difference between the present population and the combined population of Pittsburgh and Allegheny in 1900. Allegheny has been consolidated with Pittsburgh since the 1900 census. The population of Pittsburgh alone in 1900 was 31,515.

AMMONIA EXPLODES, KILLING MERCHANT

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 15.—Joseph Botsch, thirty years old, a grocery store keeper, of Woodbury, N. J., died in the Cooper Hospital, Camden, today, a few hours after he had been injured by the explosion of a tank of ammonia in his store.

O. W. KENNEDY,
Manager Munsey Tour.



A. G. NEWMYER,
Starter and Chief Observer.

CONTESTANTS AWAIT THE SIGNAL TO GO

West Point Will Be Reached by End of First Day.

Today's Program at Munsey Tour Headquarters.

Examination of cars at the official garage, 132 North Broad street.

Meeting of officials of tour in the afternoon at Hotel Walton.

Dinner to drivers, observers, and passengers at Hotel Walton in evening.

T. C. Willie, advance man of tour, makes final bookings in morning, headquarters Hotel Walton.

Meeting of observers after dinner in evening at Hotel Walton.

PHILADELPHIA, August 15.—Practically everything is ready for an early start of the cars in the Munsey Historic Tour tomorrow morning. The last cars have been delivered into the hands of the technical committee, and have nearly all been examined to the last detail. With the exception of a few preliminaries yet to be attended to by the officials, complete arrangements have been made.

Seven o'clock has been determined on for the start of the tour. The pilot cars will have sped on their way two hours before that, but at that hour the first of the contesting cars will receive the word to go from the starting place.

On the start of the tour, the first journey to West Point, the first night stop. Drivers and observers will report to the starting place a half hour before the time of starting. As the cars are driven up to the starting place the time of their arrival is noted and the first car is sent away.

Change in Starting.

On the Munsey run last year each car had a specified time for starting, but this has been changed, and the cars will be sent away irrespective of their divisions as they arrive at the starting point.

The greatest care will be exercised by the officials of the tour at each starting place. When the observer or driver reports to the chief starter, the first one arriving will be held until the other man comes, and then both will be escorted to the car. Before starting the driver will sign a statement of the time of his starting.

The noon checker who receives and notes the time of the arrival of the cars at the noon checking station, will be carried with the tour instead of being stopped at for lunch, as was the case last year. J. A. Hemstreet, one of the technical committee will ride with one of the pilot cars from the starting place in the morning and will be dropped off at the noon checking station. He will be picked up after the last car has left by one of the official cars and carried to the night stop.

The first day's run from Philadelphia to West Point is divided into two units, the first being from Philadelphia to Morristown, N. J., a distance of 55 miles.

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ESPERANTISTS OPEN WORLD CONVENTION USING NEW TONGUE

Disseminators of Proposed Universal Language Begin Sessions at Arlington.

DR. ZAMENHOF GIVEN PROLONGED CHEERS

Delegates From Thirty-five Nations Give Author Tremendous Ovation. John Barrett Is Honored.

Features of World Congress of Esperantists.

Thirty-five nations represented when Esperantists' congress opens today.

Members of twenty-three foreign Esperanto organizations hold meetings according to their nationality to elect delegates and speakers.

Thunderous greeting accorded to Dr. L. L. Zamenhof, author of the universal language, when he rises to make his address of greeting.

All speeches in Esperanto, and all business matters are conducted in the tongue, which unites in speech peoples of every nation on the globe.

Office of president of the congress is transferred by Captain Perogordo, of Spain, to John Barrett, through the Washington vice president, Dr. H. W. Yemans.

Representatives of more than thirty-five nations of the globe gathered at the Arlington Hotel today in attendance at the opening of the sixth international Esperanto congress.

The picturesque flowing robes of delegates from far off China, the gold braid and lace worn by representatives of the court of King Alfonso of Spain, and the native costumes of the other countries represented blended into the first picture shown to Washington of men who know not the respective languages of their brother delegates conversing in a universal tongue.

Seldom, if ever before in Washington, has there been witnessed such a demonstration of enthusiasm with which the author of the language, Dr. L. L. Zamenhof, was greeted as he arose to address the congress. And throughout the course of his half-hour talk outbursts of applause from those who have been drawn together from all over the world by his efforts were frequent. As he concluded, the entire assemblage arose and gave the enthusiastic salute midst thunderous cheering.

Presidency Transferred.

The formal transfer of the office of president to the sixth president, John Barrett, Director General of the Bureau of American Republics, and leader of the Esperantists of Washington; an address by Dr. L. L. Zamenhof, the author of Esperanto; election of representatives by the delegates from the various countries; and presentation of these delegates constituted the opening business of the congress.

Members of twenty-three foreign Esperanto organizations met according to their nationality in different rooms at 9 o'clock to choose their delegates and speakers for the work of the ensuing week.

The delegates elected are Mello Souza, Brazil; Francisco Latom, Guatemala; Lu Ping Tien and Wu Chang, China; San Guillame Moncello, Honduras; Ali Hui Khan, Persia; Capt. F. Postnikov, department of industry and commerce of Russia; senior Luis G. Munoz, Uruguay.

Other representatives were Dr. H. W. Yemans, Navy Department; Charles Stewart, Navy Department; Mr. Wolcott and E. C. Reed, Interior Department; Dr. J. B. Dobbie, department of education of North Carolina; Sr. Joaquim Bernarde Calvo, Costa Rican minister to the United States, representing the department of education of his country.

President Barrett III.

Immediately following these elections the vice president of the last congress, which met at Barcelona, Spain, Captain Perogordo, transferred the office of president of the congress to the head of the local Esperantists. This is usually done by the former president in the absence of Sr. Frederico Fajula y Valdes, the honor left to Captain Perogordo. Mr. Barrett being absent because of illness, he received the presidency through the local vice president, Dr. H. W. Yemans.

According to custom all business was conducted in the Esperanto language and all addresses likewise were in Esperanto. Dr. Zamenhof praised the congress for the work it has accomplished in the twenty-five years the world has known the language, of which he is the author. He noted in particular the manner in which the language has been adapted and fostered by virtually every progressive nation, and concluded with the prophecy that Esperanto will within the next decade be spoken fluently by every educated person.

Dr. Zamenhof's Salutation.

Dr. Zamenhof's salutation follows: "Land of liberty, land of the future, I salute thee! Thou land of which have dreamed and still dream multitudes of the suffering and oppressed, I salute thee! Land of a people which

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